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OF WORK

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1. FIRST REGULAR SESSION
THE 1978 ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION ADOPTED THE FOLLOW-
ING DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST REGULAR (SPRING)
SESSION TO BE HELD IN NEWYORK FROM APRIL 11 TO MAY 12:
1) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS;
2) ASSISTANCE TO THE DROUGHT-STRICKEN AREAS OF ETHIOPIA;
3) DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL
DISCRIMINATION, INCLUDING PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORLD
CONFERENCE ON COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION;
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4) STANDARDIZATION OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES;
5) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT
ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS;
6) RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;
7) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY;
8) PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE;

9) ACTIVITIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN;
UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN: EQUALITY,
DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE;
10) NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS;
11) HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS;
12) SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONS;
13) NARCOTIC DRUGS;
14) ELECTIONS;
15) CONSIDERATION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR
THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1978.

2. SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE SESSION, WORK WILL BE
CONDUCTED AS FOLLOWS:

ITEMS 2,3, 4 IN PLENARY;

ITEM 5 IN A SESSIONAL WORKING GROUP ON WHICH
CONSULTATIONS WILL BE HELD TO DETERMINE INTER-
EST IN MEMBERSHIP;

ITEMS 6, 7, AND 8 IN THE FIRST (ECONOMIC)
COMMITTEE;

ITEMS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 IN THE SECOND (SOCIAL)
COMMITTEE.

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3. PROGRESS REPORTS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL INCLUDE --

- A) REPORT OF THE SY ON MEETING OF EXPERT GROUP ON TAX TREATIES BETWEEN DC'S AND LDC'S;
- B) REPORT OF THE SYG ON IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIRST UN REGIONAL CARTOGRAPHIC CONFERENCE FOR THE AMERICAS;
- C) REPORT OF UNCTAD ON WORLD FOOD TRADE ISSUES.

4. SECOND REGULAR SESSION

THE WORK PROGRAM FOR THE SECOND REGULAR (SUMMER) SESSION TO BE HELD IN GENEVA FROM JULY 5 TO AUGUST 4 WILL BE DECIDED DEFINITELY AT THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION. THE ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION APPROVED THE FOLLOWING LIST OF ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

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- 1) GENERAL DISCUSSION OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POLICY, INCLUDING REGIONAL AND SECTORAL DEVELOPMENTS;
- 2) REGIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT;
- 3) UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY;
- 4) ASSISTANCE TO BOTSWANA, LESOTHO, MOZAMBIQUE, AND ZAMBIA;
- 5) ASSISTANCE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS;
- 6) ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENT REFUGEES;
- 7) RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;
- 8) TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT#;
- 9) FOLLOW-UP TO THE UNITED NATIONS WATER CONFERENCE;
- 10) WORLD CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN, 1980#;
- 11) INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS: REPORT OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE#;
- 12) WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION#;
- 13) DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION;

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14) CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES;
15) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON THE ENVIRONMENT;
16) INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION;
17) UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL FUND;
18) FOOD PROBLEMS;
19) TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS;
20) HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;
21) NATURAL RESOURCES;
22) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY#;
23) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WITHIN
THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;
24) COMPREHENSIVE POLICY REVIEW OF OPERATIONAL
ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT;
25) INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD;
27) RECOVERY AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMME IN THE
SUDANO-SAHELIAN REGION;
27) UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION
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AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES#;
28) MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1980-1983 AND
PROGRAMMING PROCEDURES;
29) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING
OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES
BY THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS;

30) DISASTER RELIEF COORDINATION.

ITEMS MARKED WITH ASTERISK (#) WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED
AT SECOND RESUMED SESSION.

4. THE TENTATIVE BREAKDOWN OF THESE ITEMS IS AS FOLLOWS:

ITEMS 1-12 IN PLENARY;
ITEMS 13-22 IN THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE;
ITEMS 23-30 IN THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION)
COMMITTEE.

5. IT WAS ALSO DECIDED THAT GENERAL DEBATE AT THE SUMMER
SESSION WILL BE FOCUSED ON ITEMS 1, 13, 14, 7, AND 23 AND THAT
ITEM 22, "SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY," WOULD BE AN "AREA OF
CONCENTRATION" AT THAT SESSION.

6. OTHER DECISIONS AND REQUESTS RELATIVE TO THE PROGRAMME
OF WORK ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPHS 3-5 OF DOCUMENT
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